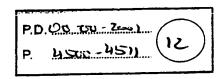
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Glass-Forming Binaphthyl Chromophores

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Abstract: The use of the binaphthyl framework to synthesize glass-forming organic chromophores is described. Suzuki coupling reactions of racemic 6,6'dibromo-2,2'-dialkoxy-1,1'-binaphthyl with 1,1-diphenyl-2-(4-dihydroxyboronphenyl)-ethene using [Pd(dppf)Cl₂] (dppf = 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene) as the catalyst provide a set of chromophores with the 4-(2,2'-diphenylvinyl)-1-phenyl group at the 6- and 6'positions and a range of groups on the oxygen atom. Starting with enantiomerically enriched (R)-6,6'-dibromo-2,2'-dihexyloxy-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-2Hex), one can obtain (R)-3Hex. Heck coupling reactions of 6,6'-dibromo-2,2'-dialkoxy-1,1'-binaphthyl compounds with styrene provide chromophores of the type 2,2'-dialkoxy-1,1'-binaphthyl-6,6'bis(2-phenyl-vinyl). Starting with enan-

tiomerically enriched (R)-2Hex, one obtains (R)-4Hex. Molecules of the type 4 contain two 1-naphthyl-2-phenyl ethylene chromophores with a pseudoorthogonal relationship. Similar procedures can be used to obtain fragments with more extended conjugation length. Thus, the Heck coupling reaction of 2Hex with 4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styrene, 1-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene, and 1-(3',5'-dihexyloxystyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene provides 5Hex, 6Hex, and 7Hex, respectively. DSC measurements and powder diffraction experiments indicate that the binaphthol chromophores show a resist-



ance to crystallization. In some cases, considerably different thermal behavior is observed between enantiomerically enriched samples and their racemic counterparts. Increasing the size of the conjugated fragment on the binaphthol core leads to materials with higher glasstransition temperatures and a less pronounced tendency to crystallize. Fluorescence spectroscopy gives evidence of "excimer"-type interactions in the solid state, except for the chromophores with 4-(2,2'-diphenylvinyl)-1-phenyl groups. It is possible to obtain amorphous films of these chromophores directly from solution, and to fabricate light-emitting diodes, in which the electroluminescent layer corresponds to the binaphthyl chromophore.

Introduction

There is intense current interest in finding well-defined organic chromophores of intermediate dimensions that form stable glasses. Much of the motivation derives from the emerging use of organic materials in new optoelectronic technologies. Amorphous materials eliminate complications from grain boundaries and poor metal—organic interfaces that are associated with crystalline samples. They also facilitate simpler manufacturing procedures because of their ability to form homogeneous films directly from solution. Conjugated polymers exist that fit these criteria, however structural imperfections within chains, coupled with the statistical nature of polymerization reactions, provide materials that are not as well defined as low mass organic

molecules. [5] Another practical advantage of optical materials based on small molecules [6] is that they can be purified by standard organic methodologies.

Attaching long alighatic side groups around the periphery

Attaching long aliphatic side groups around the periphery of a given chromophore can minimize crystallization. [7] However, these nonpolarizable groups reduce the charge transport ability of the bulk material. [3] In the case of light-emitting diodes (LEDs), the devices need to be operated at elevated potentials, which lower their lifetime under operating conditions. [8]

An alternative approach to amorphous organic molecules that does not resort to using large aliphatic fragments takes advantage of molecular shapes, which can be considered "awkward" for packing. With this geometrical feature, the rate of crystallization can be considerably reduced, leading to supercooled solutions and stable amorphous phases. [9] Representative molecular examples include "starburst" structures (Sb), spiro compounds (Sp), and tetrahedral arrangements (Th) such as those shown below.

Molecules such as 4,4',4"-tris[N-(3-methylphenyl)-N-phenylamino]-triphenylamine^[10] (Sb) correspond to an ever-

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growing family of triarylamine-based hole transport materials that find use in LED fabrication. [11] Spiro-shaped 2,2',7,7' tetrakis(biphenyl-4-yl)-9,9'-spirofluorene (Sp) is interesting because it exhibits amplified spontaneous emission in the solid state. [12] Whereas tetrakis(tert-butylstyrylstilbenyl)methane (Th) exhibits a glass-transition temperature, the distyrylbenzene components, on their own, are highly crystal-line. [13, 14] These attributes of the tetrahedral complexes make them useful for LED applications. In fact, LEDs prepared using tetrakis (4-(4'-(3",5"-dihexyloxystyryl)styryl)stilbenyl)methane (T-4R-OC₆H₁₃) as the electroluminescent layer exhibit low turn on voltages. [15]

It is noteworthy that the choice of a given framework as a design principle stems from the intuitive feel of chemists for the three-dimensional structure of molecules (sometimes referred to as the molecular topology),^[16] and how this parameter relates to the ability of the collective ensemble to arrange in a well-ordered fashion.

Consideration of the issues raised above led us to target binaphthol as a suitable core for synthesizing amorphous organic chromophores. Three attributes of the structure and reactivity of binaphthol were compelling. First, as a consequence of the mutual pseudo-orthogonality of the two planar naphthyl fragments, the molecule can be thought of as comprising half of a spiro compound.[17, 18] Second, there is a versatile and well-developed substitution chemistry, which allows for modifications at the 3,3'- and 6,6'-positions, in addition to the oxygen substituent. [18] Finally, chiral C_2 symmetric, starting materials are readily available by standard procedures, which can be used to synthesize enantiomerically enriched chromophores.[19] Comparison against their racemic analogues gives insight into how molecular chirality, a fundamental topological attribute, can frustrate the ability of the bulk material to crystallize. It should also be noted that there is considerable recent interest in the study of the

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binaphthol framework to create optically coupled chromophore pairs and networks.^[20]

In this contribution, we report the synthesis of organic chromophore pairs that are connected by way of the 6- and 6'-positions in the binaphthol framework. We show by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) analysis, powder diffraction measurements, and comparison against the monomeric counterpart that the shape of the binaphthyl molecules indeed endows the material with resistance toward crystallization. The effect of chromophore structure and conjugation length, as well as the size of ether groups, on bulk morphology is examined. ^[21] By synthesizing enantiomerically enriched molecules and comparing their properties against racemic counterparts, we probe the effect of chirality on the ability of the material to reach a stable amorphous state. ^[22] Finally, we show that it is possible to build organic LEDs, in which binaphthol chromophores are the electroluminescent layer.

Results and Discussion

Synthesis: The compounds in this study were synthesized starting with 6,6'-dibromo-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (1), which is available in 95 % yield from 1,1'-binaphthol. [23, 24] Treatment of 1 with the appropriate alkyl- or benzylbromide and K₂CO₃ in acetone provides the corresponding alkyl [25] and benzyl [26] derivatives in greater than 90 % yield. The methoxymethyl ether (2MOM) was synthesized in 70 % yield by reaction of 1 in the presence of excess dimethoxymethane with phosphorous pentoxide. [27] This procedure eliminates the use of the hazardous alkylating agent methoxymethylchloride.

As shown in Scheme 1, a set of compounds containing the 4-(2,2'-diphenylvinyl)-1-phenyl side group^[28] at the 6- and 6'-positions was readily prepared by Suzuki coupling^[29] of the binaphthyl bromides with 1,1-diphenyl-2-(4-dihydroxyboron-

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Scheme 1. Preparation by Suzuki coupling of a set of compounds with the 4-(2,2'-diphenylvinyl)-1-phenyl side group.

phenyl)-ethene. These reactions used 4% [Pd(dppf)Cl₂] (dppf = 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene) in THF with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ in yields of 30-60%. It is possible to begin with enantiomerically enriched (R)- or (S)-1,1'-binaphthol (>99% ee)[30] by using the chiral resolving agent, (8S,9R)-(-)-N-benzylcinchonidinium. Such a sequence was carried out for $OR = OC_6H_{13}$, ((R)-3Hex). HPLC analysis using chiral supports shows that the final enantiomer purity after resolution of the core and the Suzuki (or Heck, vide infra) reaction conditions corresponds to 90-80% ee. High-temperature conditions bring about the loss of enantiopurity during the Heck coupling reactions. The series of chromophores with structure 3 (Scheme 1) will be useful when we examine the effect of the ether side group on T_e .

Chromophores containing 2-phenyl-vinyl side groups at the C6 and C6' sites, the series 4 in Scheme 2, can be conveniently obtained by Heck coupling of 2Bu, 2Bz, 2Hex, and 2Me (2Bu, $R = C_4H_9$; 2Bz, $R = CH_2Ph$; 2Hex, $R = C_6H_{13}$; 2MOM, $R = CH_2OCH_3$; 2Me, $R = CH_3$) with styrene. For example, the reaction of 2Me with six equivalents of styrene in the presence of 5% Herrmann's catalyst^[31] and 4.5 equivalents of sodium

acetate in dimethylacetamide at 140°C for two days affords, after workup, 4Me in 42% yield. Previous work with tetrahedral chromophores showed that glass-forming tendencies are reduced with a decrease in the molecular dimensions of the chromophore. [32, 33] Thus, the series 4 is expected to provide materials with borderline tendencies.

Three additional molecules were prepared to examine the effect of conjugation length and substituent structure. Use of 4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styrene^[32] and 1-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)-4-(4'-

Scheme 2. Preparation of series 4 by Heck coupling of 2Bu, 2Bz, 2Hex, and 2Me with styrene.

vinylstyryl)benzene[33] instead of styrene, as shown in Scheme 3, allows for the attachment of groups with longer conjugation lengths. The syntheses of 5Hex (2,2'-dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl) (2,2'-dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-(4"-tert-butylstyryl)styryl)styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl) were carried out under an inert atmosphere. For example, compound 2Hex can be treated with four equivalents of 4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styrene in the presence of palladium acetate, tetrabutylammonium bromide. and excess potassium carbonate in dimethylformamide. As the reaction proceeds, the appearance of strong blue-green fluorescence is observed when the reaction flask is illuminated by a handheld UV lamp. The product is obtained after the reaction is run at 80°C for 2.5 days and is easily separated from unreacted starting materials by chromatography. In the synthesis of 6Hex, the product is contaminated by the monosubstituted species. Separation by chromatography is complicated due to the low solubility of 6Hex in most organic solvents. After isolation, 6Hex is photoisomerized to the alltrans form by irradiating a degassed benzene solution for

Problems associated with the low solubility of 6Hex prompted us to synthesize 7Hex (2,2'-dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis-(4-(4'-(3",5"-dihexyloxystyryl)styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl)

2Hex
$$+ \frac{Pd(OAc)_2}{R_2CO_3} + OHex$$

$$n = 1, 2$$

$$Ne_3 C$$

Scheme 3. The syntheses of 5Hex and 6Hex.

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Scheme 4. The synthesis of 7Hex.

in Scheme 4. The requisite 1-(3',5'-dihexyloxystyryl)-4-(4'vinylstyryl)benzene was available from previous studies,[33] and the reaction conditions were analogous to those described for 5Hex. As in the other procedures, best results were obtained when oxygen was rigorously excluded during the reaction. Compound 7Hex was obtained in 42% yield and is freely soluble in common organic solvents.

Model compounds m-3Hex, m-4Hex, m-5Hex, and m-7Hex, were synthesized to highlight changes in the bulk morphology of the material upon bringing together two chromophores through the binaphthol core. These monomeric derivatives contain the hexyloxy functionality, and the protocols for attaching the arm to 6-bromo-2-hexyloxynaphthalene were adapted from those in Schemes 2, 3, and 4. Attempts of the synthesis of the parent compound for 6Hex were unsuccessful because 2-hexyloxy-6-(4-(4'-(4"-tert-butylstyryl)styryl)naphthalene is highly insoluble. Interestingly, it was found that all monomers were considerably less soluble than their dimer counterparts.

Morphology: Powder diffraction analysis of samples from the 3 series revealed no diffraction peaks, consistent with a lack of long-range order. DSC measurements in the temperature range 40 to 400 °C only gave evidence of glass transitions. No melting or crystallization was observed for these compounds, regardless of sample history. Throughout the studies, the heating and cooling rates are at 10°Cmin-1 unless otherwise indicated. The glass-transition temperature can be tuned by e) 3MOM; f) 3Me. during the cooling cycle crystallizes at 100°C. Altogether,

choice of the alkyl group on the oxygen atom (Figure 1). The lowest Tes correspond to the hexyl derivatives 3Hex (65°C), while the methyl containing compound 3Me (3Me, R= CH_3) displays the highest T_g (137°C). The butyl (3Bu, R = C_4H_9 , $T_g = 85$ °C), benzyl (3Bz, $R = CH_2Ph$, $T_g = 90$ °C), and methoxymethyl (3MOM, R = CH_2OCH_3 , $T_g = 108$ °C) containing molecules provide intermediate values. Note that there is little difference between enantiomerically enriched racemic (R)-3Hex and 3Hex (3Hex, $R = C_6H_{13}$). Compound m-3Hex shows a sharp melting point at 163°C and

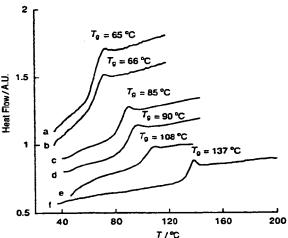


Figure 1. DSC data for the 3 series: a) 3Hex; b) (R)-3Hex; c) 3Bu; d) 3Bz;

these observations indicate that the binaphthyl framework can be used to enforce an amorphous morphology and that the glass-transition temperature, and therefore film stability, can be controlled by choice of the ether fragment.

Figure 2 shows the DSC traces obtained for (S)-4Bu, (R)-4Bu, and the racemic compound 4Bu (4Bu, $R = C_4H_9$).

> As in the case of the 3 series, there is no evidence that 4Bu crystallizes, and enantiomeric purity makes no observable impact. Analogous data for the benzyl derivative 4Bz (4Bz, R = CH₂Ph) also shows no evidence for crystalline regions; however the glass-transition temperature of the racemic

m-3Hex m-4Hex m-5Hex m-7Hex

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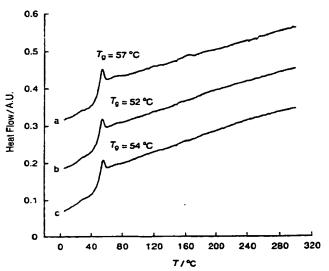


Figure 2. DSC data for the 4Bu series: a) 4Bu; b) (R)-Bu; c) (S)-Bu.

mixture (4Bz, $T_z = 71$ °C) is slightly higher than that observed for either the R or S enantiomerically enriched samples ((S)-4Bz, $T_z = 55$ °C; (R)-4Bz, $T_z = 52$ °C, Figure 3). Therefore chirality affects intermolecular interactions within the sample, and consequently bulk properties. [34]

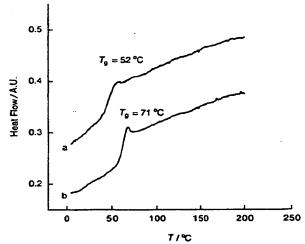


Figure 3. DSC data for the 4Bz series: a) (R)-4Bz; b) 4Bz.

For the hexyl derivative 4Hex (4Hex, $R = C_6H_{13}$), there is considerable difference between the racemic and the enantiomerically enriched materials. The heating curve of thermally annealed 4Hex (Figure 4a) shows a T_g at 21 °C, followed by crystallization in the 75–100 °C range, and finally a melting transition at ≈ 120 °C. No crystallization is observed when 4Hex is cooled back to room temperature at a rate of 1 °C min⁻¹. These transitions are reproducible, even after repeated cycles. Therefore, compound 4Hex forms a supercooled solution at room temperature, but at higher temperatures there is sufficient thermal energy to allow

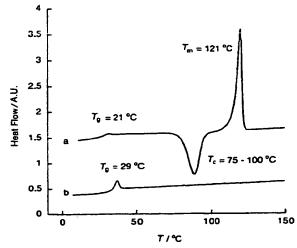


Figure 4. DSC data for 4Hex (a) and (R)-4Hex (b).

relocation of the molecules into a crystalline lattice. In the case of (R)-4Hex, a T_s similar to that of 4Hex is observed (Figure 4b). However, 18-20 cooling/heating cycles in the range 40 to 150°C failed to give evidence of crystallization and/or melting. Therefore the enantiomerically enriched 4Hex resists crystallization more effectively and provides more stable amorphous materials when compared with the racemic 4Hex.

Examination of the heating trace of 4Me (4Me, R = CH₃) reveals a glass transition at 110°C, a crystallization point at 157°C, and a melting transition at 255°C (Figure 5a). Also observed is a weak exotherm at 202°C, which may be due to a

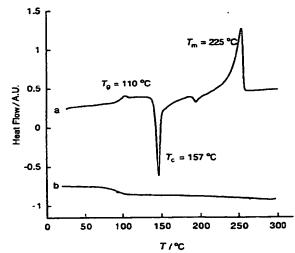


Figure 5. DSC data for 4Me: a) heating cycle; b) cooling cycle.

liquid crystal type transition. [35] The cooling curve, in Figure 5b at a rate of 1°Cmin⁻¹, reveals a transition from isotropic to glassy state at approximately 100°C. In the heating trace of (R)-4Me, only a broad melting transition at 260°C is observed (Figure 6a). During the cooling cycle, a sharp crystallization transition is observed at 188°C (Figure 6b). Similar data are obtained for (S)-4Me. Thus, in

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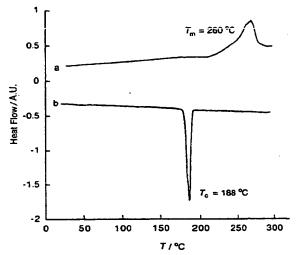


Figure 6. DSC data for (R)-4Me: a) heating cycle; b) cooling cycle.

contrast to the behavior of the 4Hex compound, enantiomerically enriched samples of 4Me crystallize more readily.

It is possible to investigate the changes in the DSC characteristics of (R)-4Me as a function of multiple heating/cooling cycles, and the resulting calorimetry traces are shown in Figure 7. For these measurements, the heating and cooling rates were 1 °C min⁻¹. In the first scan one observes a T_m at 260 °C. The sample was taken to a maximum temperature of

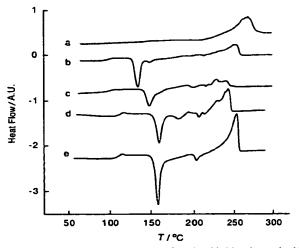


Figure 7. The DSC traces for (R)-4Me: a) is the third heating cycle; b) is the fourth heating cycle; c) is the eighth heating cycle; d) is the twelfth heating cycle; e) is the trace after twenty heating cycles.

300°C. On the first cooling cycle, the T_c occurs at 188°C. During the second cycle, a decrease in both the T_m (258°C) and T_c (168°C) is observed. Subsequent DSC measurements show a progressive increase in the complexity of the traces. There is a general decrease in the intensity and temperature of the original melting transition, and multiple poorly defined transitions are observed in the temperature range 190–260°C. Note the appearance of a T_g at 98°C after four cycles.

In the cooling cycles, crystallization becomes progressively less pronounced. After 20 cycles, the DSC traces no longer change and are identical to the data of racemic 4Me in Figure 6. Therefore, the thermal energy at 300°C is sufficient to rotate the two binaphthyl rings in the melt, thereby racemizing the molecules and changing the morphology of the sample. It is also interesting to note the complex thermal transitions observed at intermediate levels of enantiomeric purity.

The DSC trace of m-4Hex shows a weak crystallization exotherm at 101°C, followed by two melting transitions at 119°C and 150°C. The first endotherm corresponds to a transition from solid to a liquid crystal, while the second suggests a liquid crystal to isotropic transition. The cooling trace shows similar behavior with an exotherm at 146°C, corresponding to the transition to liquid crystal, followed by a crystallization exotherm at 76°C.

While m-5Hex shows a melting transition at 229 °C, the binaphthyl counterpart 5Hex is an amorphous solid with a T_g at 89 °C (Figure 8). Correspondingly, the powder diffraction data for m-5Hex show diffraction peaks, while those of 5Hex indicate an amorphous state. Compound (R)-5Hex shows a slightly increased T_g (94 °C) relative to 5Hex. DSC analysis gave no indications of thermal transitions for 6Hex in the range 30-350 °C, even after thermal annealing.

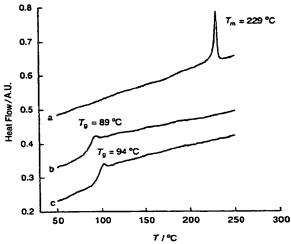


Figure 8. DSC data for 5Hex series: a) m-5Hex; b) 5Hex; c) (R)-5Hex.

Compound m-7Hex melts at a lower temperature (219°C, Figure 9) than m-5Hex, probably as a result of the large aliphatic chains. The properties of 7Hex and (R)-7Hex (Figure 9) parallel those observed for 4Hex and (R)-4Hex. In the heating curve, the racemic material crystallizes at 90°C, and melts at 150°C. For (R)-7Hex, only a glass transition is observed at 71°C.

Optical properties: Table 1 has the collected spectral data for the chromophores prepared in this study. Compounds of the 3 series are soluble in a variety of organic solvents, display absorption maxima at ≈ 340 nm, and emit in the blue region of

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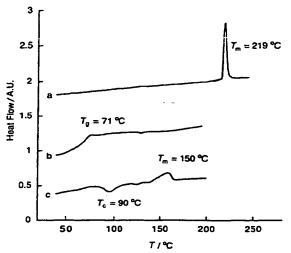


Figure 9. DSC data for 7Hex series: a) m-7Hex; b) (R)-7Hex; c) 7Hex.

Table 1. Collected optical data

Compound	Absorption Maximum [nm]	Absorption Onset [nm]	Solution Emission Maximum [nm]	Film Emission Maximun (nm)
3Hex	340	384	452	452
(R)-3Hex	345	384	450	451
3Bz	342	388	449	455
3Bu	345	390	448	450
змом	340	387	451	451
3Ме	340	391	452	456
m-3Hex	340	384	439	438
4Hex	330	383	398	441
(R)-4Hex	333	384	398	440
(S)-4Hex	333	384	399	465
4Bz	331	383	403	470
(R)-4Bz	333	383	394	465
(S)-4Bz	332	384	397	472
4Bu	333	384	399	472
(R)-4Bu	334	384	400	464
(S)-4Bu	332	385	397	478
4Me	331	383	394	454
(R)-4Me	331	384	395	452
(S)-4Me	331	383	393	450
m-4Hex	328	379	390	419
5Hex	376	420	429	486
(R)-5Hex	375	420	427	472
m-5Hex	374	415	435	465
5Hex	393	444	469	478
7Hex	395	441	471	491
(R)-7Hex	394	441	469	490
n-7Hex	396	442	465	464

the spectrum. The different alkoxy substituents have no observable effect on the optical properties. It is possible to cast thin films directly from solution, and the resulting optical properties are identical to those recorded in solution (Figure 10). The lack of intermolecular perturbations in the solid is a phenomenon that has been noted in other chromophores of this type and is likely a result of effective insulation from the environment by the three aryl rings on the olefin unit. [33]

Figure 11 shows that the solution absorbance and emission spectra of 4Hex are identical to those of (R)-4Hex. Similar

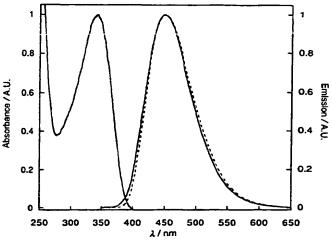


Figure 10. For 3Hex, absorbance and photoluminescence spectra (λ_{ex} = 340 nm) in solution (solid lines) and from films (dashed lines).

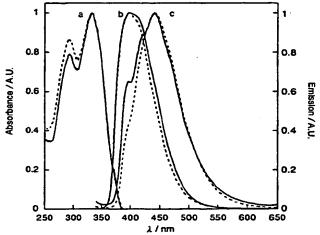


Figure 11. Absorbance (a) and photoluminescence (b: solution; c: film) spectra for 4Hex (solid line) and (R)-4Hex (dashed line).

results are obtained for the other compounds in the 4 series. Film emission is considerably red-shifted, relative to the solution emission, probably from the formation of excimers or ground-state complexes in the solid. The emission m-4Hex in solution is blue-shifted by approximately 22 nm, relative to that of 4Hex. For 5Hex and m-5Hex in solution, the difference in emission is less pronounced (Figure 12). Therefore, increasing the conjugation length of the chromophore minimizes the effect of the "contact" across the binaphthyl framework.

Except for the 3 series, the film emission is red-shifted relative to solution emission (Table 1).^[37] There are no observable changes in the absorption spectra, suggesting that the red-shift is a result of excimer-type interactions in the solid.

Electroluminescence: The potential use of binaphthyl-based organic glasses in device fabrication was examined by fabrication of LEDs with the binaphthyl bichromophores as

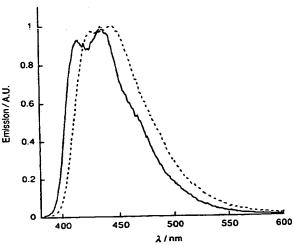


Figure 12. Photoluminescence spectra (λ_{ex} =374 nm) for 5Hex (dashed line) and m-5Hex (solid line).

the electroluminescent layer. The devices were constructed according to previously established procedures. These studies were made from the proof of principle point of view, and did not include full optimization of the electrode work function to the orbital energies of the organic materials. We focused on 5Hex because of its superior solubility, relative to 6Hex, and its lower aliphatic content than the more soluble 7Hex.

Devices were fabricated with the configurations of ITO/5Hex/Ba/Al, ITO/5Hex/Ca, ITO/PVK/5Hex/Ba/Al, ITO/PVK/5Hex/Ca, Au/5Hex/Nd, and ITO/PEDT/PVK/5Hex/Ba/Al, where PVK refers to poly(vinylcarbazole) and PEDT to poly(ethylenedioxythiophene). Devices without PEDT showed strictly ohmic behavior, with no light output. However, devices using PEDT (ITO/PEDT(300 Å)/PVK(300 Å)/5Hex/Ba/Al) exhibited modest efficiency (0.1 cd A-1) and low turn-on voltage (3.5 V, near the HOMO-LUMO energy difference), despite minor current leakage prior to turn-on (see Figure 13). A typical EL (electroluminescence) spectrum displays a maximum at 503 nm, slightly red-shifted from that observed from the PL (photoluminescence) (Figure 14). Substantially more efficient devices should be accessible by optimization of device architecture.

Conclusion

In summary, we have shown that the molecular topology of the binaphthyl framework makes it suitable for designing noncrystallizable organic chromophores. Oxygen substituents provide a handle to fine-tune glass-transition temperatures. For a given chromophore, increasing the aliphatic content of the molecule reduces the glass-transition temperature. Furthermore, for the molecules involved in this study, as the dimensions of the conjugated fragment decrease, there is an increased tendency for bulk crystallization.

Molecular chirality emerges from these studies as another parameter that can be used to control crystallization tenden-

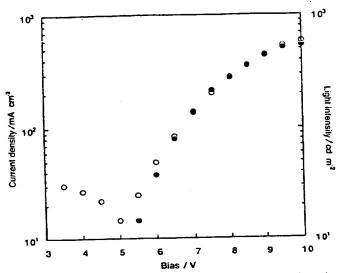


Figure 13. The current density (open circles) and the emission intensity (solid circles) as a function of bias.

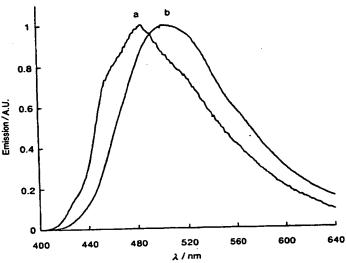


Figure 14. Comparison of PL (a) and EL (b) of the LED in Figure 13.

cies. At this stage, however, no clear trends have emerged. For 4Hex and 7Hex, the enantiomerically enriched molecules lead to samples that resist crystallization to a greater extent than their racemic analogues. The opposite trend is observed for 4Me. Samples of intermediate enantiomeric purity show complex thermal behavior (Figure 7).

Finally, we have shown that the amorphous features of 5Hex allow the fabrication of LEDs, in which the electroluminescent layer is cast directly from solution. Current efforts in our group are focused on the optimization of device performance in a study of how the film quality of these binaphthyl chromophores depends on molecular structure.

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Experimental Section

General: All metal-mediated coupling reactions were conducted in ovendried glassware under an argon atmosphere. ¹H and ¹³C[¹H] NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova400 NMR spectrometer operating at 400.1 (RT) and 100.6 MHz (RT), respectively. ¹H and ¹³C[¹H] NMR spectra were also recorded on a Varian Inova 500 NMR spectrometer operating at 500.1 (RT) and 125 MHz (RT), respectively. UV/Vis absorption spectra were recorded by using a Shimadzu UV-2401PC spectrophotometer. Fluorescence spectra were measured on a Spex Fluorolog2 spectrometer in spectral grade chloroform using 90 degree angle detection for solution samples and front-face detection for films. High-resolution mass spectrometry was performed by the UCSanta Barbara Mass Spectrometry Lab. Differential scanning calorimetry data were recorded on a Netzsch DSC204. Purity was analyzed on a Shimadzu HPLC equipped with a photodiode array detector. Optical rotations were done on a Perkin Elmer Polarimeter 341 with a sodium lamp set at 589 nm. Reagents were obtained from Aldrich Co. and used as received.

Compounds 2Bz, [26] 2Hex, [24] 2Me, [25] 2MOM, [25], [27] 1,1-diphenyl-2-(4'-pinacolatoboronphenyl)-ethene, [33] (4'-tert-butylstyryl)styrene, [32] 1-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene, [33] and 1-(3',5'-dihexyloxystyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene [15] were prepared according to literature procedures.

6,6'-Dibromo-2,2'-dihexyloxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (2Hex): A single-neck round bottom flask (50 mL), equipped with a magnetic stir bar and reflux condenser, was charged with 6,6'-dibromo-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (10.5 g, 1.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv)|40| and acetone (7 mL). Potassium carbonate (0.715 g, 5.52 mmol, 4.6 equiv) and 1-bromohexane (0.825 mL, 5.85 mmol, 5.2 equiv) were added to the solution. The resulting slurry was refluxed overnight. The mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature, and then the solvent was removed in vacuo. After dilution with water, the aqueous phase was extracted three times with ethyl acetate (25 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated to afford 2Hex (0.664 g, 96%). The ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) data matched previous assignment. ^{124, 40}]

(R)-6,6'-Dibromo-2,2'-dihexyloxy-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-2Hex): (R)-6,6'-Dibromo-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (1.55 g, 3.5 mmol)^[24] was treated according to the general procedure described above for 2Hex to afford (R)-2Hex (2.04 g, 95%).

6,6'-Dibromo-2,2'-dibutyloxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (2Bu): 6,6'-Dibromo-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (0.744 g, 1.7 mmol) was treated with 1-bromobutane according to the procedure described above for 2Hex to afford 2Bu (0.844 g, 91 %).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDC₃): δ = 8.01 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (dd, J₁ = 9.1 Hz, J₂ = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (m, 4H), 1.40 (m, 4H), 1.00 (m, 4H), 0.67 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDC₃): δ = 155.0, 132.8, 130.4, 129.9, 129.6, 128.6, 127.3, 120.2, 117.4, 116.6, 69.4, 31.5, 18.9, 13.8; exact mass (EI) for [MH]* calcd for C₂₈H₂₈B₇₂O₂: 554.0456; found: 554.0460.

6-Bromo-2-hexyloxynaphthalene: A round bottom flask (150 mL) was charged with 6-bromo-2-naphthol (2.09 g, 9.4 mmol, 1 equiv), potassium hydroxide (12.4 g, 221.1 mmol, 24 equiv), potassium carbonate (10.5 g, 10.6 mmol, 76.3 equiv), 1-bromohexane (7.605 g, 46.1 mmol, 4.9 equiv), and DMSO (80 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature and then was worked up with water and chloroform. The chloroform layer was washed three times with water, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The material was purified by column chromatography (100% hexanes) to yield 6-bromo-2-hexyloxynaphthalene (2.35 g, 94% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.92 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, J₁ = 25.6 Hz, J₂ = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (dd, J₁ = 8.7 Hz, J₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 2.6 Hz, 4H), 7.09 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.06 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (m, 4H), 1.38 (m, 4H), 0.94 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 157.6, 133.3, 130.1, 129.8, 128.6, 128.5, 120.3, 117.1, 106.7, 68.3, 31.8, 29.4, 26.0, 22.8, 14.3; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₁₉BrO: 306.0619; found: 306.0620.

2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(2,2'-diphenyl-vinyl)-1-phenyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (3Hex): A single-neck round bottom flask (100 mL), equipped with a magnetic stir bar and a rubber septum secured with copper wire, was

charged with 2Hex (0.50 g, 0.82 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,1-diphenyl-2-(4-dihydroxyboronphenyl)-ethene (0.74 g, 2.4 mmol, 3.0 equiv), [Pd(dppf)Cl₂] (30 mg, 0.04 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and THF (36 mL). Sodium bicarbonate (sat. aq., 9 mL) was added to the solution. The resulting slurry was sparged with argon for 15 minutes prior to heating to 75°C for two days. After cooling, the reaction was placed under vacuum to remove THF. Water was added to the resulting solid, and the aqueous phase was extracted three times with methylene chloride (40 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford a crude product. The resulting solid was purified by chromatography on silica gel (35% CH₂Cl₂/65% hexanes) to afford 3Hex (0.40 g, 50%).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.03 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.44 (dd, J = 8.8 Hz, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (m, 20 H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (s, 2H), 3.96 (m, 4H), 1.41 (m, 4H), 0.98 (m, 20 H), 0.71 (t, J = 72 Hz, 6H); ¹⁰C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.9, 143.7, 142.7, 140.7, 139.6, 136.3, 135.6, 133.6, 130.6, 130.2, 129.6, 128.9, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 126.8, 126.2, 125.6, 125.5, 120.6, 116.3, 69.9, 31.5, 29.5, 25.5, 22.7, 14.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for $[MH]^{++}$ calcd for $C_{72}H_{46}O_{2}$: 962.5063; found: 962.5109.

2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(2,2'-diphenyl-vinyl)-1-phenyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-3Hex): The procedure described for 3Hex was repeated starting with (R)-2Hex (0.11 g, 0.18 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (35% CH₂Cl₂/65% hexanes), (R)-3Hex (0.11 g, 60%) was obtained.

[α]_D = -6.0 (c = 0.50 in THF); 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.03 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.44 (dd, J = 8.8 Hz, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (m, 20H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, J + 1.1 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (s, 2H), 3.96 (m, 4H), 1.41 (m, 4H), 0.98 (m, 20H), 0.71 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H); 12 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.9, 143.7, 142.7, 140.7, 139.6, 136.6, 135.6, 130.6, 130.6, 130.6, 120.2, 129.6, 128.9, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 126.8, 126.2, 125.6, 125.5, 120.6, 116.3, 69.9, 31.5, 29.5, 25.5, 22.7, 14.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]* calcd for C_{72} H $_{46}$ O $_{2}$: 962.5063; found: 962.5074.

2.2'-Dibenzyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(2,2'-diphenyl-vinyl)-1-phenyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (3Bz): The reaction described for the synthesis of 3Hex was carried out starting with 2Bz (0.50 g, 0.80 mmol). After chromatographic separation on silica (40 % CH₂Cl₂/60 % hexanes), 3Bz (0.33 g, 42 %) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.04 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.46 (m, 2 H), 7.43 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (m, 18H), 7.25 (m, 4 H), 7.10 (m, 10 H), 6.99 (m, 6 H), 5.07 (s, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.5, 143.6, 142.7, 140.7, 139.4, 137.7, 136.4, 135.9, 133.6, 130.6, 130.2, 129.8, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 126.9, 126.8, 126.3, 125.9, 125.7, 120.7, 116.6, 71.3; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for $C_{74}H_{54}O_2$: 974.4124; found: 974.4138; elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{74}H_{54}O_2$ (975.15): C 91.14, H 5.58; found: C 91.62, H 5.39.

2,2'-Dibutyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(2,2'-diphenyl-vinyl)-1-phenyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (3Bu): The reaction described for the synthesis of 3Hex was carried out starting with 2Bu (0.091 g, 0.164 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (50% CHCly50% hexanes), 3Bu (0.086 g, 46%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.03 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.96 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.44 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (m, 20 H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (s, 2H), 3.96 (m, 4H), 1.42 (m, 4H), 1.00 (m, 4H), 0.66 (t, J = 72 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.9, 143.7, 142.7, 140.7, 139.06, 136.3, 135.5, 133.6, 130.6, 130.2, 129.6, 129.0, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 126.8, 126.2, 125.6, 125.5, 120.6, 116.3, 69.6, 31.6, 19.0, 13.8; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]* calcd for C₆₆H₅₆O₂: 906.4437; found: 906.4465

2,2'-Bis(methoxymethoxy)-6,6'-bis(4-(2,2'-diphenyl-vinyl)-1-phenyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (3MOM): The reaction described for the synthesis of 3Hex was carried out starting with 2MOM (0.100 g, 0.188 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (60% CH₂Cl₂/40% hexanes), 3MOM (0.065 g, 39%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.05 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (m, 22 H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d,

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J=8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.01 (s, 2H), 5.11 (d, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 5.00 (d, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (s, 6H); exact mass (FAB, NBA) for $[M]^{++}$ calcd for $C_{64}H_{50}O_4$: 882.3709; found: 882.3729.

2,2'-Dimethoxy-6,6'-bis(4-(2,2'-diphenyl-vinyl)-1-phenyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (3Me): The procedure for the synthesis of 3Hex was duplicated starting with 2Me (0.376 g, 0.796 mmol). Purification by chromatography on silica gel (40% CH₂Cl₂/60% hexanes) gave 3Me (0.278 g, 42%).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.04 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 2 H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.45 (m, 8 H), 7.32 (m, 20 H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 4 H), 7.02 (s, 2 H), 3.79 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.3, 143.6, 142.7, 140.7, 139.4, 136.4, 135.7, 133.4, 130.6, 130.2, 130.0, 129.6, 129.0, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 126.8, 125.9, 125.8, 119.5, 114.8, 57.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for C₆₂H₄₆O₂: 822.3498; found: 822.3510.

2-Hexyloxy-6-(4'-(2',2"-diphenyl-vinyl)-1'-phenyl)naphthalene (m-3Hex): The conditions for the synthesis of 3Hex were duplicated starting with 6-bromo-2-hexyloxynaphthalene (0.19 g, 0.62 mmol, 1 equiv), 1,1-diphenyl-2-(4'-pinacolatoboronphenyl)-ethene (0.35 g, 0.92 mmol, 1.5 equiv), [Pd(dppf)Cl₂] (0.05 g, 0.06 mmol, 0.1 equiv), sodium bicarbonate (0.84 g, 10 mmol, 16 equiv), THF (8 mL), and water (2.5 mL). The crude material was purified by chromatography on silica gel (20 % CHCl₃/80 % hexanes) to yield of m-3Hex (0.22 g, 72 %).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.68 (dd, J₁ = 1.8 Hz, J₂ = 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 (dt, J₁ = 8.4 Hz, J₂ = 1.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.43 (m, 10 H), 7.15 (m, 4 H), 7.04 (s, 1 H), 4.10 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 1.87 (m, 2 H), 1.53 (m, 2 H), 1.41 (m, 4 H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 157.5, 143.6, 142.7, 140.7, 139.5, 136.4, 135.7, 134.0, 130.6, 130.3, 129.8, 129.3, 128.9, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.4, 126.8, 125.8, 125.5, 119.7, 106.5, 68.3, 31.8, 29.4, 26.0, 22.9, 14.3; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for C₃₆H₃₄O: 482.2610; found: 482.2603; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C₃₆H₃₄O (482.62): C 89.58, H 7.10; found: C 89.58, H 7.09.

2.7-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (4Hex): A single-neck round bottom flask (50 mL), equipped with a magnetic stir bar and a rubber septum secured with copper wire, was charged with 2Hex (70 mg, 0.114 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Herrmann's catalyst^[31] (5 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv), sodium acetate (42 mg, 0.500 mmol, 4.5 equiv), and dimethyl acetamide (3 mL). The solution was sparged with argon for 15 minutes prior to addition of styrene (80 µL, 0.685 mmol, 6.0 equiv). The resulting slurry was heated to 140°C for two days. After cooling, the reaction was diluted with water. The aqueous phase was extracted three times with portions (20 mL) of methylene chloride. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated to afford crude product. Purification by chromatography on silica gel (30% CH₂Cl₂/70% hexanes) gave 4Hex (22 mg, 29%).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (s, 2H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.8 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 737 (m, 4H), 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 2H), 3.96 (m, 4H), 1.42 (m, 4H), 1.00 (m, 12H), 0.74 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); ¹⁰C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.0, 137.8, 134.0, 132.7, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.0, 127.6, 126.9, 126.6, 126.1, 124.0, 120.8, 116.2, 69.9, 31.5, 29.5, 25.5, 22.7, 14.2; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for $C_{48}H_{50}O_2$: 658.3811; found: 658.3799.

(R)-2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-4Hex): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (R)-2Hex (1.20 g, 1.9 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (30% CH₂Cl₂/70% hexanes), (R)-4Hex (1.05 g, 81%) was obtained.

[a]_D = -341.5 (c = 0.50 in THF); ¹H NMR (400 MH2, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.89 (s, 2 H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 4 H), 7.49 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 1.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.37 (m, 4 H), 7.26 (m, 4 H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.13 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.96 (m, 4 H), 1.43 (m, 4 H), 1.00 (m, 12 H), 0.74 (1, J = 7.2 Hz, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.0, 137.8, 134.0, 132.7, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.0, 127.6, 126.9, 126.6, 126.1, 124.0, 120.8, 116.2, 69.9, 31.5, 29.5, 25.5, 22.7, 14.2; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for $C_{48}H_{50}O_2$: 658.3811; found: 658.3811; elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{48}H_{50}O_2$ (658.86): C 87.67, H 7.36; found: C 87.73, H

(R)-2,2'-Dibutyloxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-4Bu): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (R)-2Bu (0.94 g, 1.7 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (20-60% CHCly80-40% hexanes), (R)-Bu (0.563 g, 55%) was obtained

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.50 (dd, J₁ = 1.8 Hz, J₂ = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H). 7.37 (dd, J₁ = 7.5 Hz, J₂ = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 7.27 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 2H), 3.98 (m, 4H), 1.45 (m, 4H), 1.03 (m, 4H), 0.68 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.03, 137.79, 134.05, 132.61, 129.51, 129.42, 129.15, 128.86, 128.04, 127.58, 126.92, 126.60, 126.12, 123.96, 120.80, 116.16, 69.49, 31.56, 18.96, 13.79; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [M]*· calcd for C₄H₄₂O₂: 602.3180; found: 602.3185.

(S)-2,2'-Dibutyloxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((S)-4Bu): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (S)-2Bu (0.9 g, 1.62 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (20-60% CHCl₂/80-40% hexanes), (S)-4Bu (0.488 g, 50%) was obtained.

[a]_D = +346.5 (c = 0.58 in THF); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDC₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.50 (dd, J₁ = 1.8 Hz, J₂ = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (dd, J₁ = 7.5 Hz, J₂ = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 7.27 (d, J = 16 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 2H), 3.98 (m, 4H), 1.45 (m, 4H), 1.03 (m, 4H), 0.68 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDC₁3): δ = 155.03, 137.79, 134.05, 132.61, 129.51, 129.42, 129.15, 128.86, 128.04, 127.58, 126.92, 126.60, 126.12, 123.96, 120.80, 116.16, 69.49, 31.56, 18.96, 13.79; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [M]++ calcd for C_mH₂O₂: 602.3180; found: 602.3185.

(R)-2,2'-Dibenzyloxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-4Bz): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (R)-2Bz (1.41 g, 2.26 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (30-60% CHCl₂/70-40% hexanes), (R)-4Bz (0.681 g, 45%) was obtained.

[α]_D = -265.1 (c = 0.31 in THF); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.52 (dd, J₁ = 1.9 Hz, J₂ = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (dd, J₁ = 7.5 Hz, J₂ = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.14 (m, 8H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 5.08 (s, 4H); ¹⁰C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.57, 137.73, 137.65, 133.98, 132.99, 129.78, 129.65, 129.02, 128.88, 128.38, 128.32, 127.65, 127.53, 126.96, 126.87, 126.65, 126.16, 124.27, 120.93, 116.45, 71.30; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [M]*· calcd for C₅₀H₃₀O₂: 670.2864; found: 670.2872; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C₅₀H₃₀O₂ (670.78): C 89.52, H 5.71; found: C 90.15, H 5.72.

(S)-2,2'-Dibenzyloxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((S)-4Bz): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (S)-2Bz (0.78 g, 1.25 mmol). After purification by chromatograpy on silica gel (30-60% CHCl₂/70-40% hexanes), (S)-4Bz (0.418 g, 50% yield) was obtained.

[a]_D = +222.4 (c = 0.57 in THF); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.52 (dd, J₁ = 1.9 Hz, J₂ = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d. J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (dd, J₁ = 7.5 Hz, J₂ = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.14 (m, 8H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 5.08 (s. 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 154.57, 137.73, 137.65, 133.98, 132.99, 129.78, 129.65, 129.02, 128.88, 128.32, 127.65, 127.53, 126.96, 126.87, 126.65, 126.16, 124.27, 120.93, 116.45, 71.30; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [M]** calcd for C₅₀H₃₈O₂: 670.2864; found: 670.2872.

2,2'-Dimethoxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (4Me): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with 2Me (2.4 g, 5.08 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (40-60% CHCly60-40% hexanes), 4Me (1.105 g, 42%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.00 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 7.50 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.14 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H); ¹⁰C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.4, 137.7, 133.8, 132.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6, 127.0, 126.6, 125.9, 124.3, 119.8, 114.6, 57.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for $[MH]^{++}$ calcd for $C_{26}H_{20}O_2$: 518.2246; found: 518.2238.

(R)-2,2'-Dimethoxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-4Me): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (R)-2Me (1.44 g, 3.05 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (40-60% CHCly60-40% hexanes), (R)-4Me (0.71 g, 45%) was obtained.

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[α]_D = -411.9 (c = 0.50 in THF); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.00 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.90 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.50 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 1.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.40 (m, 4 H), 7.26 (m, 4 H), 7.14 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.11 (s, 2 H), 3.80 (s, 6 H); ¹⁰C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.4, 137.7, 133.8, 132.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6, 127.0, 126.6, 125.9, 124.3, 119.8, 114.6, 57.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]** calcd for C₁₈H₂₀O₂: 518.2246; found: 518.2238; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C₃₈H₂₀O₂ (518.60): C 87.99, H 5.83; found: C 87.75, H 5.87.

(5)-2,2'-Dimethoxy-6,6'-bis(2-phenyl-vinyl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((S)-4Me): The procedure for the synthesis of 4Hex was duplicated starting with (S)-2Me (0.59 g, 1.25 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (40-60% CHCly60-40% hexanes), (S)-4Me (0.259 g, 40%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.00 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 4H), 7.50 (dd, J₁ = 8.8 Hz, J₂ = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.14 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.4, 137.7, 133.8, 132.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6, 127.0, 126.6, 125.9, 124.3, 119.8, 114.6, 57.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]** calcd for $C_{31}H_{30}O_{2}$: 518.2246; found: 518.2238.

2-Hexyloxy-6-(2-phenyl-vinyl)naphthalene (m-4Hex): A round bottom flask (10 mL) was charged with 6-bromo-2-hexyloxynaphthalene (0.23 g. 0.76 mmol, 1 equiv), styrene (0.28 mL, 2.4 mmol, 3.2 equiv), potassium carbonate (0.49 g. 3.5 mmol, 4.6 equiv), tetrabutylammonium bromide (0.46 g. 1.4 mmol, 1.9 equiv), palladium acetate (0.03 g. 0.131 mmol, 0.17 equiv), and DMF (5 mL). This reaction mixture was degassed, placed under argon, and heated to 80 °C. After 2.5 days, the reaction mixture was worked up with water and chloroform. The chloroform layer was washed three times with water, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude material was purified by chromatography on silica gel (20-30 % CHCly/80-70 % hexanes) to yield m-4Hex (120 mg, 47%).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.21 (s, 1 H), 7.15 (m, 2 H), 4.08 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (sext, 2H), 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.33 (m, 4H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ¹⁰C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 157.5, 137.8, 139.5, 132.8, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.1, 127.7, 127.3, 126.7, 126.6, 124.2, 119.6, 106.9, 68.3, 31.8, 29.4, 26.0, 22.8, 14.3; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for $C_{24}H_{26}O$: 330.1984; found: 330.1984; elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{24}H_{26}O$ (330.44): C 87.50, H 7.65; found: C 87.00, H 7.73.

2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (5Hex): A round bottom flask (25 mL) was charged with 2Hex (0.125 g, 0.205 mmol, 1 equiv), 4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styrene (0.215 g, 0.820 mole, 4 equiv), palladium acetate (0.005 g, 0.021 mmol, 0.1 equiv), potassium carbonate (0.142 g, 1.03 mmol, 5 equiv), tetrabutylammonium bromide (0.132 g, 0.410 mmol, 2 equiv), and DMF (5 mL). This slurry was degassed, placed under argon, and heated to 80°C for 2.5 days. After cooling, the slurry was diluted with chloroform (50 mL). This solution was washed three times with water (50 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated to yield a crude product. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (20-50% CHCl₂/80-50% hexanes), yielded 5Hex (153 mg, 77%).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.89 (s, 2 H), 7.51 (m, 14 H), 7.41 (m, 6 H), 7.28 (d, J = 16 Hz, 2 H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.11 (m, 6 H), 3.96 (m, 4 H), 1.35 (m, 22 H), 1.04 (m, 12 H), 0.75 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6H); ¹²C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.1, 151.0, 1370, 136.9, 134.8, 134.0, 132.7, 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.4, 127.8, 127.7, 127.0, 126.95, 126.9, 126.4, 126.2, 125.8, 123.9, 120.8, 116.2, 69.8, 34.8, 31.54, 31.50, 29.5, 25.5, 22.7, 14.21; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for $[MH]^{++}$ calcd for $C_{72}H_{70}O_2$: 974.6002; found: 974.6009; elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{72}H_{70}O_2$ (975.32): C 88.66, H 8.04; found: C 89.35, H 7.89.

(R)-2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-tert-butylstyryl)styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-5Hex): The procedure for the synthesis of 5Hex was duplicated starting with (R)-2Hex (0.126 g, 0.205 mmol). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (20-50% CHCly80-50% hexanes), (R)-5Hex (139 mg, 68%) was obtained.

[a]_D = -403 (c = 0.30 in THF); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.94 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.90 (s, 2 H), 7.56 (m, 14 H), 7.42 (m, 6 H), 7.30 (d, J = 16 Hz, 2 H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.12 (m, 6 H), 3.96 (m, 4 H), 1.31 (m, 22 H), 1.03 (m, 12 H), 0.76 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ =

155.0, 150.9, 137.0, 136.8, 134.8, 134.0, 132.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.9, 128.4, 127.7, 126.94, 126.90, 126.4, 126.1, 125.8, 123.9, 120.8, 116.1, 69.80, 34.80, 31.53, 31.49, 29.50, 25.50, 22.70, 14.20; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for $[MH]^{++}$ calcd for $C_{72}H_{78}O_{2}$: 974.6002; found: 974.6009.

2-Hexyloxy-6-(4-(4'-terr-butylstyryl)styryl)naphthalene (m-5Hex): The procedure for the synthesis of m-4Hex was duplicated starting with 2-hexyloxy-6-bromonaphthalene (0.135 g, 0.440 mmol, 1 equiv) and 4-(4'-terr-butylstyryl)styrene (0.222 g, 0.848 mmol, 1.9 equiv). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (20-50% CHCl₃/80-50% hexanes), m-5Hex (0.229 g, 73%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.12 (m, 6H), 4.08 (ι, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (m, 2H), 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.32 (m, 15 H), 0.93 (ι, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 157.6, 137.0, 134.8, 134.5, 132.8, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 127.0, 126.9, 126.7, 126.5, 124.2, 119.6, 106.9, 68.3, 34.9, 31.8, 31.5, 29.4, 26.0, 22.8, 14.3; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for C₃₆H_{e0}O: 488.3079; found: 488.3074.

2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-(4"-tent-butylstyryl)styryl)styryl)-1,1'-bi-naphthyl (6Hex): The procedure for the synthesis of 5Hex was duplicated with 2Hex (0.103 g, 0.17 mmol, 1 equiv) and 1-(4'-tent-butylstyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene (0.242 g, 0.66 mmol, 3.9 equiv). After purification by chromatography on silica gel (40-60% CHCly/60-40% hexanes), 6Hex (15 mg, 8%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.92 (m, 3H), 7.42 (m, 29H), 7.17 (m, 17H), 3.95 (m, 4H), 1.35 (m, 20H), 1.00 (m, 4H), 0.76 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR could not be done because the compound was too insoluble; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]* calcd for $C_{80}H_{90}O_2$: 1178.6941; found: 1178.6970.

2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-(3",5"-dihexyloxystyryl)-styryl)-styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl (7Hex): The conditions for the synthesis of 5Hex were duplicated with 2Hex (0.286 g, 0.467 mmol, 1 equiv), 1-(3',5'-dihexyloxystyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene (0.923 g, 1.82 mmol, 3.9 equiv), palladium acetate (0.004 g, 0.016 mmol, 0.3 equiv), potassium carbonate (0.355 g, 2.56 mmol, 5.5 equiv), tetrabutylammonium bromide (0.311 g, 0.96 mmol, 2 equiv), and DMF (5 mL). After purification by column chromatography on silica gel (30-50% CHCl₂/70-50% hexanes), 7Hex (287 mg, 42%) was obtained

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.92 (m, 3 H), 7.52 (m, 16 H), 7.41 (d, 3 H), 7.26 (d, 4 H), 7.15 (m, 12 H), 6.69 (d, J = 2 Hz, 4 H), 6.39 (t, J = 2.16 Hz, 2 H), 3.98 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 12 H), 1.80 (m, 8 H), 1.39 (m, 30 H), 0.98 (m, 22 H), 0.79 (t, J = 7 Hz, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 160.7, 155.1, 139.4, 1373, 137.0, 136.8, 136.6, 134.1, 132.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 128.2, 127.6, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 126.2, 123.9, 120.8, 119.9, 116.2, 107.3, 105.3, 101.2, 69.9, 68.3, 31.8, 31.7, 31.5, 29.5, 29.4, 26.0, 25.9, 25.6, 22.8, 22.7, 14.3, 14.2, 14.1; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]⁺⁺ calcd for C₁₀₄H₁₂₂O₆: 1466.9241; found: 1466.9280; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C₁₀₄H₁₂₂O₆ (1467.96): C 85.08, H 8.38; found: C 84.34, H 8.18.

(R)-2,2'-Dihexyloxy-6,6'-bis(4-(4'-(3",5"-dihexyloxystyryl)-styryl)styryl)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((R)-7Hex): The procedure for the synthesis of 7Hex was duplicated with (R)-2Hex (0.099 g, 0.1620 mmol). After purification by column chromatography on silica gel (30-50% CHCl₂/80-50% hexanes), (R)-7Hex (73 mg, 31%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.92 (m, 3 H), 7.52 (m, 16 H), 7.41 (d, 3 H), 7.30 (s, 4 H), 7.13 (m, 12 H), 6.67 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 4 H), 6.43 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 H), 3.98 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 12 H), 1.80 (m, 8 H), 1.35 (m, 30 H), 0.95 (m, 22 H), 0.74 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 160.6, 155.1, 139.4, 137.3, 137.0, 136.8, 136.6, 134.1, 132.7, 129.52, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 127.0, 126.9, 123.9, 120.8, 116.2, 105.3, 101.2, 94.6, 69.8, 68.3, 31.8, 31.6, 29.9, 29.6, 29.5, 26.0, 25.6, 22.9, 22.7, 14.3, 14.2; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]+* calcd for C₁₀₄H₁₁₂O₆: 1466.9241; found: 1466.9280.

2-Hexyloxy-6-(4-(4'-(3",5"-dihexyloxystryryl)styryl)-napthalene (m-7Hex): The procedure for the synthesis of m-4Hex was duplicated with 6-bromo-2-hexyloxynaphthalene (0.21 g, 0.67 mmol, 1 equiv) and 1-(3',5'-dihexyloxystyryl)-4-(4'-vinylstyryl)benzene (0.647 g, 1.3 mmol, 1.9 equiv). After purification by column chromatography on silica gel (40-60% CHCly60-40% hexanes), m-7Hex (267 mg, 54%) was obtained.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.78 (s, 1 H), 7.72 (m, 3 H), 7.52 (m, 8 H), 7.23 (m, 1 H), 7.14 (m, 5 H), 7.06 (m, 2 H), 6.67 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.41 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.08 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.98 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 4 H), 1.81 (m, 6 H), 1.49 (m, 6 H), 1.37 (m, 12 H), 0.93 (m, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

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CDCl₃): δ = 160.7, 157.6, 139.4, 137.2, 137.0, 136.8, 136.7, 134.5, 132.8, 129.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8; 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 127.4, 127.1, 127.08, 127.04, 126.96, 126.8, 124.2, 119.9, 106.9, 105.3, 101.1, 68.3, 31.8, 29.5, 29.4, 26.0, 25.9, 22.8, 14.3; exact mass (FAB, NBA) for [MH]* calcd for $C_{52}H_{62}O_{3}$: 734.4699; found: 734.4727; elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{52}H_{62}O_{3}$ (734.99): C 84.97, H 8.50; found: C 85.73, H 8.37.

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